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Re: Confidentiality Request dated July 15, 2010-

Windstream Kentucky East and Windstream Kentucky West

PSC Case No. 2007-00503

Mr. Moore:

The Kentucky Public Service Commission has received the Confidentiality Petition you filed on July 15, 2010 on behalf of Windstream Kentucky East, LLC and Windstream Kentucky West, LLC (collectively, "Windstream") to protect information filed with the Commission as confidential under Section 7 of 807 KAR 5:001 and KRS 61.878. Specifically, you requested confidential treatment for certain portions of the Direct Testimony of Cesar Caballero on pages 39 and 40.

In support of the petition, Windstream states that this information has proprietary, confidential information that would aid competitors, if released, and contains trade secret information not released outside Windstream. Windstream states that this information contains dollar figures related to the company's costs and operations in Kentucky, including payroll, tax and revenue details. Additionally, Windstream states that public disclosure would result in irreparable harm to the company by providing competitors with non-reciprocal competitive advantage.

The Commission has carefully analyzed the information contained within the testimony and has determined that the information contained therein, if disclosed, would cause competitive injury. For these reasons, the Commission finds that this information satisfies the standard for protection under KRS 61.878(1)(c)(1) and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, and, therefore, those portions of the request for confidentiality are **GRANTED.**

As this information has been **GRANTED** protection, the Commission will withhold the protected information contained in the current Petition from public inspection. If the information that has been granted protection becomes publicly available or no longer warrants confidential treatment, you are required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7(9)(a), to inform the Commission so that the information may be placed in the public record.

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